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SUBJECT: SOVIET PRESS SUMMARY - FEBRUARY 17, 1977

1. U.S. COVERAGE:

--PRAVDA HAS SHORT ARTICLE ON SECRETARY'S

VISIT TO ISRAEL BY CAIRO CORRESPONDENT, A. VASIL'YEV,
WHO MANAGES TO SAY VIRTUALLY NOTHING ABOUT DISCUSSIONS.
HE DOES DESCRIBE INTERNAL ISRAELI POLITICAL SCENE AND
PALESTINIAN DEMANDS.

--IZVESTIYA "INTERNATIONAL COMMENTARY" COLUMN

BY V. LAPSKIY DESCRIBES GROWING MOOD IN U.S. FOR
NORMALIZATION OF RELATIONSHIP WITH CUBA. THE SECRETARY'S
RECENT REMARK THAT U.S. IS READY TO DISCUSS QUESTION
IS CITED AS IS "WELL-KNOWN" READINESS OF CUBAN LEADERS
TO IMPROVE RELATIONS WITH "ALL COUNTRIES INCLUDING
U.S." PRAVDA HAS TASS HAVANA ARTICLE ON CONGRESSMAN
BINGHAM'S REMARKS TO JOURNALISTS THAT U.S. ECONOMIC
BLOCKAGE WAS "ABSURD" AND THAT ITS ELIMINATION BY U.S.
WOULD EMBLE RESOLUTION OF MANY PROBLEMS IN U.S.-CUBAN
RELATIONS.

--G. GRACHIKOV EXAMINES IN KZ TIES BETWEEN
THE OFFICER CORPS OF THE U.S. ARMED FORCES AND THE
AMERICAN POWER STRUCTURE.

--PRAVDA'S WASHINGTON CORRESPONDENT, G. VASIL'YEV,
REPORTS ON INCREASES IN MILITARY BUDGET PRESENTED BY
FORD ADMINISTRATION FOR NEW WEAPONS DEVELOPMENTS, WHILE
SOCIAL PROGRAMS GET REDUCED FUNDS.

--KZ REPORTS THE DECISION OF BRITISH AUTHORITIES
TO EXPEL TWO AMERICAN JOURNALISTS (AND EX-CIA EMPLOYEES)
FOR THE PUBLICATION OF BOOKS AND ARTICLES DESCRIBING CIA
OPERATIONS.

--IZVESTIYA RECOUNTS ALLEGED SHOOTING RAMPAGE
BY AN AMERICAN ADMIRER OF HITLER AND NAZIISM IN NEW
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ROCHELLE, N.Y., AND ADDS COMMENTS ABOUT THE AMERICAN
WAY OF LIFE.

2. EUROPE:

--PRAVDA POLITICAL COMMENTATOR VITALIY KORIONOV
HAS HARD-HITTING ATTACK ON "DANGEROUS LINE" PRACTICED
BY NATO, CONGRESSIONAL CSCE MONITORING COMMISSION, AND
EC FOREIGN MINISTERS IN DISTORTING CSCE. BY CONCENTRATING
ON CSCE BASKET III "AS IF THERE WERE NO I, II OR IV,"
THESE GROUPS SHOW NO DESIRE TO IMPLEMENT ALL ASPECTS
OF HELSINKI ACCORDS.

--HUMAN RIGHTS COVERAGE CONTINUES, FOCUSING
ON ISRAEL AND GREAT BRITAIN.

--PRAVDA AND IZVESTIYA SEE DANISH PARLIAMENTARY
ELECTION RESULTS AS INDECISIVE.

3. ASIA:

--IZVESTIYA'S HANOI CORRESPONDENT M. IL'INSKIY
WRITES ABOUT HUMAN RIGHTS ADVANCES IN VIETNAM AND

DENOUNCES "WESTERN PROPAGANDA" TO CONTRARY. IL'INSKIY
SAYS THAT FORMER SOUTH VIETNAMESE PRESIDENTS HUANG
AND MINH AND FORMER DEFENCE MINISTER VI ARE NOW "LIVING
PEACEFULLY" IN HO CHI MINH CITY, AND THAT "ABOUT FOUR
THOUSAND" ARE NOW BEING HELD FOR RE-EDUCATION--
DOWN FROM EIGHT THOUSAND "A FEW MONTHS AGO."
--PRAVDA AND IZVESTIYA FRONTPAGE BREZHNEV-
PODGORNY-KOSYGIN MESSAGE TO AFGHAN PRESIDENT DAOUD
ON HIS ELECTION.

4. MIDEAST:

--CENTRAL PRESS HAS TASS DAMASCUS ITEM ON
PRESS CONFERENCE REMARKS BY PLO SPOKESMAN, ABU MAYZAR,
WHO CONTRASTS SOVET POLITICAL AND DIPLOMATIC SUPPORT
WITH NEGATIVE POLICY OF U.S.
--PRAVDA AND IZVESTIYA HAVE WRAP-UP OF KUWAITI
PRESS REPORTING ON USE OF "MYTH OF SOVIET MILITARY BASES"
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IN INDIAN OCEAN TO COVER REALITY OF U.S. BASE ON DIEGO
GARCIA AND U.K. AIRBASE ON MASIRAH ISLAND.
--KZ NOTES MEETING IN ADEN BETWEEN FIRST DEP
MIN DEF, GENERAL SOKOLOV, AND PDRY PM AND MIN DEF 'ALI
NASIR MUHAMMED.

5. LATIN AMERICA:

--KZ HAS LONG ARTICLE BY V. CHURSONOV ON NEW
SYSTEM OF RANKS IN CUBAN ARMED FORCES WHICH CONCLUDES WITH
CASTRO QUOTES ON IMPORTANCE OF DEFENSE "AS LONG AS IMPERIALISM"
EXISTS.
--PRAVDA HAS TASS WASHINGTON ARTICLE NOTING
CONTINUATION OF SERIOUS DIFFERENCES BETWEEN MEXICO AND
U.S. DESPITE PRESIDENTIAL DISCUSSIONS.

6. AFRICA:

--PRAVDA AND KZ REPORT NETO COMMENTS AT MASS
MEETING IN MBANZE-CONGO IN A NORTHERN PROVINCE
TO EFFECT THAT CURRENT DIFFICULTIES IN PROVINCE ARE
CONNECTED WITH CONTINUED SUBVERSIVE ACTYS BY DIVERSIONISTS
TRAINED AT SPECIAL CAMPS IN "A NEIGHBORING COUNTRY."
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